Féach Amach an Fhuinneog
Look Out Your Window

Cad a fheiceann tú? What do you see?

Déan liosta Make a list of everything you see. Can you name some of the things you see as Gaeilge or in any other language you speak? If someone you live with speaks another language ask them for help.

Choose one item from your list – in any language you like. An spéir, a flower, an ghrian, the wind. Or something imaginary – a balloon floating in the sky.

NOW ... it's time to **BRAINSTORM!** You can brainstorm in any language you like – I'm going to brainstorm as Gaeilge agus as Béarla ...
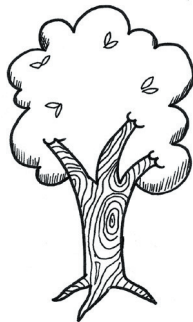
To help you get started: let's suppose we have chosen **crann/a tree.**

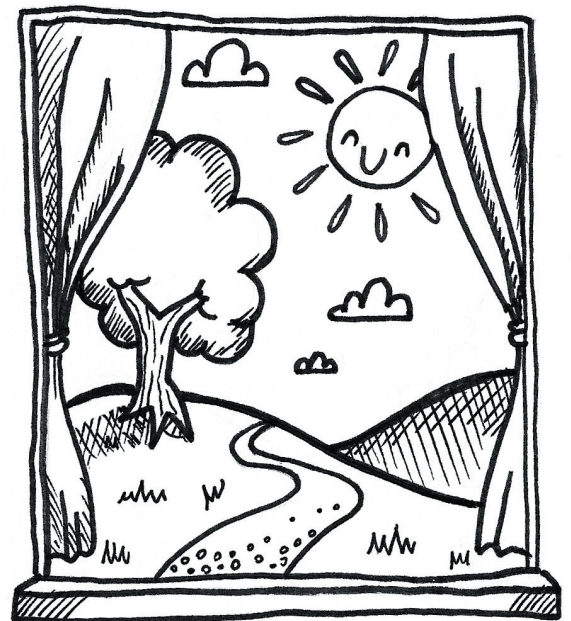Write down as **many words** as possible about a **tree**

Sean/uaigneach/maorga/ clóca glas/duilleoga ag titim/fathach mór ...

Alone/lonely/majestic/leaves falling/arms outstretched/ green cloak/old ...

Cuir ceisteanna ort féin le cur le do liosta.

An bhfuil an crann sona? Cén fáth? An bhfuil uaigneas air? Cén fáth?

Ask yourself some questions to add to your list.

Is this a happy tree? A sad tree? Why? Is it lonely? Why?

(You can invent as many questions as you like.)

Now we are going to turn our brainstorming into a poem called a cinquain.

The rules are simple – and you can break them or change them in any way you like.

Rialacha: a cinquain has 5 lines and is shaped like a diamond.

Line 1: 2 syllables (usually the title of the poem)

Line 2: 4 syllables (usually describes the title)

Line 3: 6 syllables (usually has some form of action involved)

Line 4: 4 syllables (usually captures a feeling or emotion)

Line 5: 2 syllables (usually links back to Line 1)

Seanchrann
Uasal, maorga
Seasann leis féin sa pháirc
Faoi bhrat uaignis
Fathach

Treetime
Tall, majestic
Swinging from your strong arms
In my safe place
Metime

Now choose something else from your list and try your own cinquain.

Write a cinquain in English. Scríobh cinquain as Gaeilge. Féach amach an fhuinneog arís agus arís eile.

How many cinquains – in any language you choose – can you create through your window? Have fun agus go n-éirí leat!